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### **Lesson 11 Vocabulary Words**

Directions: Define each word and include the part of speech. Write a sentence for each word on the back of this page.

1. concurrent

2. cursory

3. discursive

4. precursor

5. expedient

6. expedite

7. impediment

8. pedestrian

9. deflect

10. pedestrian

## Lesson 11 Exercises

Happening or operating at the same time.

- The convicted killer was sentenced to serve three  life terms in prison.

Hastily and often carelessly done.

- Having spent the weekend going to parties, she was only able to give the chapter a  reading before class on Monday.

Passing from one topic to another.

- Some days he allowed himself to write long  essays in his diary instead of his usual simple reporting of the day's events.

One that goes before and indicates the coming of another.

- Scientists are trying to identify special geological activity that may be a  to an earthquake, which will help them predict the quake's size, time, and location.

Suitable for bringing about a desired result, often without regard for what is fair or right.

- Reporters suggested that it would be politically  to nominate a vice-presidential candidate from a state with a large number of electoral votes.

To speed up the process or progress of.

- The sales department was looking for ways to  the shipping and billing of incoming orders.

Something that interferes with movement or progress.

• Her poorly developed verbal ability was the most serious  to her advancement.

Commonplace, ordinary, or unimaginative.

• While politicians endlessly discussed the great issues facing Russia, the Russians worried about such  concerns as finding enough food, shelter, and clothing.

To turn aside, especially from a straight or fixed course.

• The stealth technology used on some of our bombers and fighter planes works by  radar energy.

Situated toward or on the back; rear.

• One of the goals of his fitness program was to reduce the dimensions of the  parts of his anatomy.

A. Fill in each blank with the correct letter:

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|---------------|---------------|
| a. concurrent | e. cursory    |
| b. expedite   | f. impediment |
| c. precursor  | g. discursive |
| d. pedestrian | h. expedient  |
1. The warm days in March were a \_\_\_\_\_ to spring floods that were sure to come.
  2. They hoped the new computer system would \_\_\_\_\_ the delivery of supplies.
  3. After only a \_\_\_\_\_ look at the new car, he knew he had to have it.
  4. The presence of her little sister was a definite \_\_\_\_\_ to her romantic plans for the evening.
  5. She came to enjoy the \_\_\_\_\_ style of the older, rambling essays.
  6. Putting the blame on others for her mistakes was the \_\_\_\_\_ solution, but it enraged her coworkers.
  7. Convention-goers had to decide which of the \_\_\_\_\_ meetings to attend.
  8. His sister's trips to Borneo made his vacations at the seashore seem \_\_\_\_\_.

B. Match the definition on the left to the correct word on the right:

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| 1. simultaneous | a. impediment |
| 2. obstacle     | b. precursor  |
| 3. hasty        | c. expedient  |
| 4. forerunner   | d. discursive |
| 5. convenient   | e. pedestrian |
| 6. speed up     | f. expedite   |
| 7. rambling     | g. cursory    |
| 8. ordinary     | h. concurrent |